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April 13, 2006

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PATENT
CASE NO. 56/426

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application:)
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Michael Brakelmann et al.)
) Group Art Unit: 3722
)
Serial No.: 10/776,464)
) Examiner: Cadugan, Erica E.
Filed: February 10, 2004)
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For: METHOD FOR THE) Confirmation No. 3595
ORIENTATION OF A SPINDLE)
AND NUMERICAL CONTROL)
DEVICE OF A MACHINE TOOL)
EMBODIED FOR THE METHOD)
FOR THE ORIENTATION OF)
THE SPINDLE)

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE

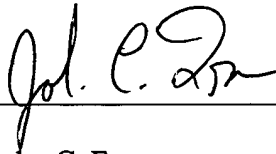
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Dear Sir:

On January 20, 2006 a Notice of Allowance was mailed for the above-mentioned application that presented a statement of reasons for the allowance of the claims. Applicants

traverse the statement in that there are broader and/or other reasons why the claims are allowable over the prior art.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John C. Freeman", is written over a horizontal line.

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